

# **ACADEMIC SERVICES**

# **MODULE SPECIFICATION**

Part 1: Basic Data						
Module Title	Complexities of Caring for Older People					
Module Code	UZTRWN-20-M		Level	М	Version	2
UWE Credit Rating	20	ECTS Credit Rating	10	WBL modu	ıle? No	
Owning Faculty	HAS		Field	Continuing Care Adult Nursing		
Department	Nursing and Midwifery		Module Type	Project		
Contributes towards	MSc Advanced Practice PG Cert Health and Social Care PG Dip Advanced Practice					
Pre-requisites	none		Co- requisites	none		
Excluded Combinations	none		Module Entry requirements	Registered practitioner in health or social care		
Valid From	September 2017		Valid to	March 2021		

Part 2: Learning and Teaching					
Learning Outcomes	<ol> <li>On successful completion of this module students will be able to:</li> <li>Critically debate how the concept of frailty influences the management of complex needs in older people (Component A)</li> <li>Articulate how the relationship between co-morbidity, polypharmacy and ageing impacts on the older person's health (Component A)</li> <li>Critically evaluate and justify the evidence base underpinning the tools used to assess frailty (Component A)</li> <li>Identify, and managing complex care needs and provide possible solutions to improve outcomes for older people (Component A)</li> <li>Debate the impact that older peoples choices and decisions may have on their care and support needs (Component A)</li> <li>Critique the principal theories, concepts, policies and practices that influence delivery of health and social care for the older person (Component A).</li> </ol>				
Syllabus Outline	<ul> <li>Changing context of ageing and care; Old old vs baby boomers</li> <li>The ageing population; epidemiology, demography</li> <li>Admission avoidance including iatrogenic admission</li> <li>Outcome measures</li> <li>Bio-psycho-social theories</li> <li>Spiral of decline</li> <li>Definition of frailty</li> <li>Pre frailty</li> <li>Assessment of early signs of frailty</li> <li>Frailty syndromes</li> <li>Assessment tools</li> <li>Introduction to Comprehensive Geriatric assessment</li> <li>Poly pharmacy</li> <li>Frailty at home</li> </ul>				

- Falls assessment and management
- Health promotion and education with older people
- Three d's differential diagnosis; delirium, depression and dementia
- Recognising deterioration and exacerbation of co morbidity
- Positive risk taking
- Mental Capacity Act / Deprivation of Liberty Standards
- Working with and supporting carers and relationships
- Integrated teams
- Interagency collaboration
- Natural death orders
- Advanced care planning
- Advocacy, choice and independence
- Recovering from mental health distress

## **Contact Hours**

48 contact hours

# Teaching and Learning Methods

The module can be taken as a 20 credit module or as individual days. The approach is blended learning

Scheduled learning includes lectures, seminars, tutorials,

**Independent learning** includes hours engaged with essential reading, case study preparation, assignment preparation and completion etc.

TEL: The module will be supported by a Blackboard module site where a range of course materials will be available. Students will be expected to access reading materials through the Blackboard site, and engage with additional activities such as accessing video and weblinks. Discussion boards will be enabled for student use, facilitated by the module leader. TEL activities will be utilised for self-directed study

### Key Information Sets Information

Key Information Sets (KIS) are produced at programme level for all programmes that this module contributes to, which is a requirement set by HESA/HEFCE. KIS are comparable sets of standardised information about undergraduate courses allowing prospective students to compare and contrast between programmes they are interested in applying for.

Key Inform	ation Set - Mo	dule data			
Number of credits for this module				20	
Hours to be allocated	Scheduled learning and teaching study hours	Independent study hours		Allocated Hours	
200	48	52	100	200	

The table below indicates as a percentage the total assessment of the module which constitutes a -

Coursework: Written assignment

Please note that this is the total of various types of assessment and will not necessarily reflect the component and module weightings in the Assessment section of this module description:

Total assessment of the module:	
Written exam assessment percentage	0%
Coursework assessment percentage	100%
Practical exam assessment percentage	0%
	100%

## Reading Strategy

#### Core reading

It is essential that students read one of the many texts on older people available through the Library. The module handbook will also reflect the range of reading to be carried out.

#### **Further reading**

Students are expected to identify all other reading relevant to their chosen topic for themselves. They will be encouraged to read widely using the library search, a variety of bibliographic and full-text databases, and Internet resources. Many resources can be accessed remotely.

#### Access and skills

The development of literature searching skills is available through the library web pages, including interactive tutorials on finding books and journals, evaluating information and referencing. Sign-up workshops are also offered by the Library.

## Indicative Reading List

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The following list is offered to provide validation panels/accrediting bodies with an indication of the type and level of information students may be expected to consult. As such, its currency may wane during the life span of the module specification. However, as indicated above, *current* advice on readings will be available via the module handbook.

Banning, M. (2007) *Medication Management in Care of Older People* [online]. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing. [Accessed 10 January 2015].

Bowker, L., Price, J. and Smith, S. (2012) *Oxford Handbook of Geriatric Medicine* [online]. 2nd ed. Oxford: Oxford University press. [Accessed 10 January 2015].

British Geriatrics Society (2014) Fit for Frailty. Available from <a href="http://www.bgs.org.uk/campaigns/fff/fff">http://www.bgs.org.uk/campaigns/fff/fff</a> full.pdf [Accessed 10 January 2015].

British Geriatrics Society (2014) Quality Care for Older People with Urgent and Emergency Care Needs: The 'Silver Book'. Available from <a href="http://www.bgs.org.uk/campaigns/silverb/silver\_book\_complete.pdf">http://www.bgs.org.uk/campaigns/silverb/silver\_book\_complete.pdf</a> [Accessed 10 January 2015].

Cumbria Clinical Commissioning Group (2013) STOPP / START Toolkit: supporting Medication review. Available from <a href="http://www.networks.nhs.uk/nhs-networks/nhs-cumbria-ccg/medicines-management/guidelines-and-other-publications/Stop%20start%20pdf%20final%20Feb%202013%20version.pdf/view">http://www.networks.nhs.uk/nhs-networks/nhs-cumbria-ccg/medicines-management/guidelines-and-other-publications/Stop%20start%20pdf%20final%20Feb%202013%20version.pdf/view</a> [Accessed 10 January 2015].

Hooyman, N. and Asuman-Kiyak, A. (2014) *Social Gerontology: a Multidisciplinary Perspective International edition* [online]. 9th ed. Harlow Essex: Pearson. [Accessed 10 January 2015].

IPSOS MORI, (2014) Understanding the Lives of Older People Living with Frailty; A Qualitative investigation [online]. Age UK: Age UK. [Accessed 10 January 2015].

Available from <a href="http://www.ageuk.org.uk/Documents/EN-GB/For-professionals/Research/Living\_with\_frailty.pdf?dtrk=true">http://www.ageuk.org.uk/Documents/EN-GB/For-professionals/Research/Living\_with\_frailty.pdf?dtrk=true</a> [Accessed 10 January 2015].

Nay, R., Garratt, S. and Fetherstonehaugh, D. (2014) *Older People: Issues and Innovations in Care*,. 4th ed. Australia: Churchill Livingstone.

Robnett, R. and Chop, W. (2014) *Gerontology For the Health Care Professional* [online]. 3rd ed. Massachusetts: Jones and Bartlett Learning. [Accessed 10 January 2015].

Royal College of Physicians ( 2012) Acute Care Toolkit 3: Acute medical care for frail older people available from <a href="https://www.rcplondon.ac.uk/sites/default/files/acute-care-toolkit-3.pdf">https://www.rcplondon.ac.uk/sites/default/files/acute-care-toolkit-3.pdf</a>

[Accessed 10 January 2015].

Stuart-Hamilton, I. (2012) *Psychology of Ageing* [online]. 5th ed. London: Jessica Kingsley. [Accessed 10 January 2015].

Stuart - Hamilton, I. (2011) *An Introduction to Gerontology* [online]. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. [Accessed 10 January 2015].

Walker, A. (2014) *The New Science of Ageing (New Dynamics of Ageing)* [online]. Bristol: Policy Press. [Accessed 10 January 2015].

#### Part 3: Assessment

#### **Assessment Strategy**

Students will complete a critical account of a situation or incident related to an older person and which utilises a timeline or trajectory framework. The situation or incident must be related to either frailty or complex care needs.

The critical account will be structured utilising the students choice of trajectory or timeline framework and will comprise of these three stages

- 1. Initial indications
- 2. Midpoint crisis
- 3. Resolution / solution

This critical approach gives students an opportunity to explore a situation or incident as it unfolds through either a timeline approach, or meanders through a trajectory. The final stage should clearly articulate either resolution, a potential solution or solutions or recognition that there are no solutions possible to the situation presented.

Opportunities will be given throughout the module for students to discuss their situation or incident in groups and with the module team.

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A:	B:				
es only)					
First Sit					
(as % of co	omponent)				
10	0%				
	A:  Element (as % of co				

Resit (further attendance at taught classes is not required)	
Component A (controlled conditions)	Element weighting
Description of each element	(as % of component)

1.	3000 word assignment	100%

If a student is permitted a retake of the module under the University Regulations and Procedures, the assessment will be that indicated by the Module Description at the time that retake commences.

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